

# Chitas for Thursday, Parshas Tzav

## Yud-Ches Adar Sheini, 5784

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and the success of the soldiers fighting for its protection**

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## **CHUMASH :: Parshas Tzav - Chamishi with Rashi**

In today's *Chumash*, Moshe Rabbeinu brings the *Korban Chatas* and the *Korban Olah* for the first day of the *Yemei Miluim*! He puts the blood around the *Mizbeiach*, and now it is ready to be used for more *korbanos*!

*The Alter Rebbe teaches us something very special in the Likutei Torah of this week, the "Chassidishe Parsha!"*

*Do you remember learning Bosi Legani? In the maamar Bosi Legani we learn that the Shechinah used to be down here in the world, but because of aveiros it went up in Shomayim. Certain tzadikim were able to bring it down further and further, and when Moshiach comes the Shechinah will be back in the world to stay!*

*As we learned in the maamar, Moshe Rabbeinu, who was the seventh of these tzadikim, was the one who was able to bring the Shechinah all the way back to the earth. And when did he do this? During the Shivas Yemei Hamiluim, the seven days of preparing the Mishkan, that we are learning about now!*

*That was a taste of the way it will be when Moshiach comes, when the highest level of the Ikar Shechinah will come down into the world to stay!*

## **TEHILLIM :: 88 - 89**

One of the things it talks about in *Kapitel Pey-Tes* is how Hashem gave the *melucha* (the special job to be the

Yiddishe kings) to Dovid Hamelech and his children.

“**Korati Bris Levchiri, Nishbati LeDovid Avdi**” — Hashem says, “I made a promise to the ones I chose, I promised Dovid My servant.” (*Chassidim* put these words to a *niggun* in the year that this was the Rebbe’s *kapitel!*)

Hashem promised that “**Zaro Le’olam Yihiyeh**” — “his children will be forever!”

Now we don’t have any *Yiddishe* king, so what happens to Hashem’s promise?

*Moshiach* comes from Dovid Hamelech, so Hashem’s promise to Dovid Hamelech really does go forever! We will see that our king *Moshiach* comes from the family of Dovid!

## **TANYA :: Likutei Amarim Perek Lamed-Zayin**

To bring the *Geulah*, we need the *avodah* of all of the *Yidden* together.

The *Chachomim* say that the world was created for *Yidden* to keep the Torah and *mitzvos*.

The *Yidden* have 600,000 general *neshamos*, and the rest of the *neshamos* come from them. The world is also split up into 600,000 sections, which are divided into smaller parts. Each *neshama* has “*Chelko Ba’olam*,” a part of the world that it needs to make into *kedusha*.

We all have things that we need to use for our *Avodas Hashem*. The places where we live to do our *shlichus*, what we use for *parnasa*, or the things that give us *simcha* or *chayus*, are all part of our “*Chelek Ba’olam*,” the part of the world that we need to make into *kedusha*. Some *Yidden* might work with *Slurpees*, and other *Yidden* might work with concrete. When all *Yidden* take care of their part of the world, the whole world will be used for *kedusha*, and will be ready for the *Geulah*!

## **HAYOM YOM :: Yud-Ches Adar Sheini**

The Rebbe Maharash writes in a *maamar* that we need to learn every day some of *Chumash* with Rashi (we do that when we learn the *Chumash* part of *Chitas!*). Even though there are many explanations on the *Chumash*, Rashi has the “*terumah*” — the most special parts — of how our *Chachomim* explain the Torah.

That is in *Torah Shebichsav*, the written part of Torah. A person also needs to have a *sefer* for learning part of *Torah Shebaal Peh*!

Everyone needs to learn AT LEAST one *Mesechta* of *Gemara* a year!

*A person once wrote a letter to the Rebbe saying that he used to have a shiur in learning Gemara, but the learning was hard for him to understand, so he stopped. The Rebbe told him that it would be a good idea to restart his shiur in Gemara. It is true that it will be hard for him and it will bother him that he doesn’t understand, but if he does it anyway because it is the Torah of Hashem, then Hashem will take away some of the hardships and things that might bother him in other parts of life like health or parnasa! (See Igros Kodesh chelek Daled p. 234)*

## **SEFER HAMITZVOS :: Shiur #2 - Hakdama**

Today’s *Sefer Hamitzvos* gives us the rules the Rambam used to decide which *mitzvos* are counted in the 613 *mitzvos*. (Besides for the Rambam, there are other *Chachomim* who count the *mitzvos* differently. Here the Rambam shows us why he counts the *mitzvos* specifically this way.)

In today's *Sefer Hamitzvos* we will learn the first 4 rules of how to decide if something is counted as a *mitzvah*:

- 1) The *mitzvos D'Rabbonon* aren't counted in the 613 *mitzvos*; it has to be in the *pesukim* of the Torah.
- 2) It has to be SAID in the Torah, not something we learn from a hint.
- 3) It has to be a *mitzvah* that is ALWAYS a *mitzvah* (so a *mitzvah* about the *Mishkan* that we don't keep in the *Beis Hamikdash* isn't counted)
- 4) We only count *mitzvos* that are said in a specific way, not things like "do everything Hashem tells you to."

*The details of the 14 rules the Rambam uses to count the mitzvos are very long. The Rambam gives many proofs and examples to explain each of the rules! In the Moreh Shiur, it says that they can be learned over time, even after we already start learning the actual mitzvos. (We divided them up by learning 4 rules today, and 5 tomorrow and the next day.)*

## **RAMBAM :: Mitzvos Asei**

In Rambam, we are counting the *mitzvos*! Today we say a list of all 248 *Mitzvos Asei* (those are the *mitzvos* that are about something we need to DO for Hashem — the *mitzvos Lo Saasei* are the things Hashem asks us NOT to do).

Did you know what the Rambam says is the very first *mitzvah*? To know that there is a Hashem! That's a *mitzvah* that you can do all the time!

## **RAMBAM- PEREK ECHAD :: Hilchos Nezirus - Perek Daled**

At the end of being a *Nazir*, the *Nazir* needs to shave all of his hair and bring certain *korbanos*. But what if he made a promise to be a *Nazir* more than one time in a row? The Rambam answers this question too!

## **INYANA D'YOMA :: Story of the Rebbe**

*We learned before that thirty days before Pesach, we should start thinking about Pesach mitvzoyim! Besides for the main thing, that we are doing the mitvzoyim that the Rebbe teaches us to do, which is the Ratzon of Hashem, it is also a way to bring bracha in our own lives!*

One of the Rebbe's secretaries, Rabbi Groner A"H, once told this story:

A Yid from Eretz Yisroel called to ask for a *bracha* for his daughter, who was very sick. Next to the name of the girl, the Rebbe wrote the words "*Azkir Al Hatzion*" ("I will *daven* by the *Ohel*"), by the father's name the Rebbe wrote, "Does he go on *mitvzoyim*?" Rabbi Groner called and told the father the Rebbe's answer.

The father soon called back to say that he was doing *mitvzoyim* at the nearest Chabad House.

A few days later, the Rebbe told Rabbi Groner to find out how the girl was doing. The man told Rabbi Groner that it was a miracle! His daughter was much better.

When Rabbi Groner told the Rebbe this, the Rebbe said, "Look what *mitvzoyim* can accomplish!"

## **TEFILLAH :: Shemoneh Esrei**

Hashem set up the world in a way that when we need something, the way He will give us what we need is by us asking for it. The main time we do this in *davening* is in *Shemoneh Esrei*.

During *davening*, we connect our *neshama* with Hashem. The time our *neshama* is closest to Hashem is during *Shemoneh Esrei*, our private discussion with Hashem!

But isn't that strange? If our *neshama* is so close to Hashem, shouldn't we be talking about *Ruchnius* things and saying the greatness of Hashem? Why are we asking for the things we need in the closest, highest time?

When we are so close to Hashem, we really want to do His special *shlichus* for us. The things we ask for in *Shemoneh Esrei* might sound like regular things — *sechel*, health, *parnasa* — but we aren't asking for what we want! We are asking Hashem for the things we need to be able to do His *shlichus* properly, which will bring *Moshiach* closer. When we are feeling close, we can ask sincerely and be sure that Hashem will fulfill our requests.

## **HALACHOS HATZRICHOS :: Why Cleaning for Pesach is Such a Big Deal**

The Torah is very strict about *chometz*. There is a *mitzvah* that no *chometz* can be seen or found on *Pesach*, and we can't have any *hana'ah* from *chometz* at all. There is a very serious punishment called *Kareis* for someone who eats *chometz* on *Pesach*.

There are many kinds of food that are *asur* to eat, like meat from a non-kosher animal, or milk and meat together. But the *issur* of *chometz* is different. For all other kinds of *asur* food, there is something called "*bittul*." If there is a big pot of cholent, and a little bit of milk splashed in by mistake, the milk can become *botul*, counted like it wasn't there, and the soup might still be kosher.

But *chometz* is different. Even one teeny tiny piece is *asur* to eat!

Because of this, Yidden are extra strict with *Pesach*. We are very careful to stay far away from even a CHANCE of eating *chometz*.

The Alter Rebbe writes that Yidden are holy, and have a *minhag* to scrub off all *chometz* that we can find stuck to things, even if it's only a drop which is sometimes not necessary according to *halacha* when it's less than a *kezayis*. Not only that, but they even clean and scrub places like the chairs and table they eat, even when they DON'T find *chometz* there, because *chometz* was used there!

See *Shevach Hamoadim*, introduction to *Hilchos Pesach*

## **GEULAH U'MOSHIACH :: Os BeSefer Torah**

We just made a *siyum* on *Sefer Hamitzvos* and Rambam! Even though the last *mitzvah* we learned in the order of the *halachos* the Rambam explains was the *mitzvah* of the *Yefas Toar*, the last *mitzvah* in the order of the 613 *mitzvos* the way they are in the Torah is writing a *Sefer Torah*.

As the last *mitzvah*, it is the *siyum* of all 613 *mitzvos*!

Since it is the *siyum* of all of the *mitzvos*, we can understand that doing this *mitzvah* will also help us make another *siyum* — the *siyum* on *Golus*, so we can go to the *Geulah*!

Nowadays, one of the ways we fulfill the *mitzvah* of writing a *Sefer Torah* is by buying a letter in a *Sefer Torah*! By making sure that you, and everyone else you know, has a letter in the *Sefer Torah*, that will bring the *Geulah* much faster!

This is also one of the Rebbe's *mitzvah* campaigns, to unite all Yidden together through writing a *Sefer Torah*, which will protect Yidden from harm and speed up the *Geulah*.

*IY" H* next week there will be a *siyum* of the tenth *Sefer Torah* to unite all Yidden! This is a great *simcha*. Make sure that you and everyone you know has a letter!

Buy a letter for children: [KidsTorah.org](http://KidsTorah.org) — or for adults: [Chabad.org/409282](http://Chabad.org/409282)

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